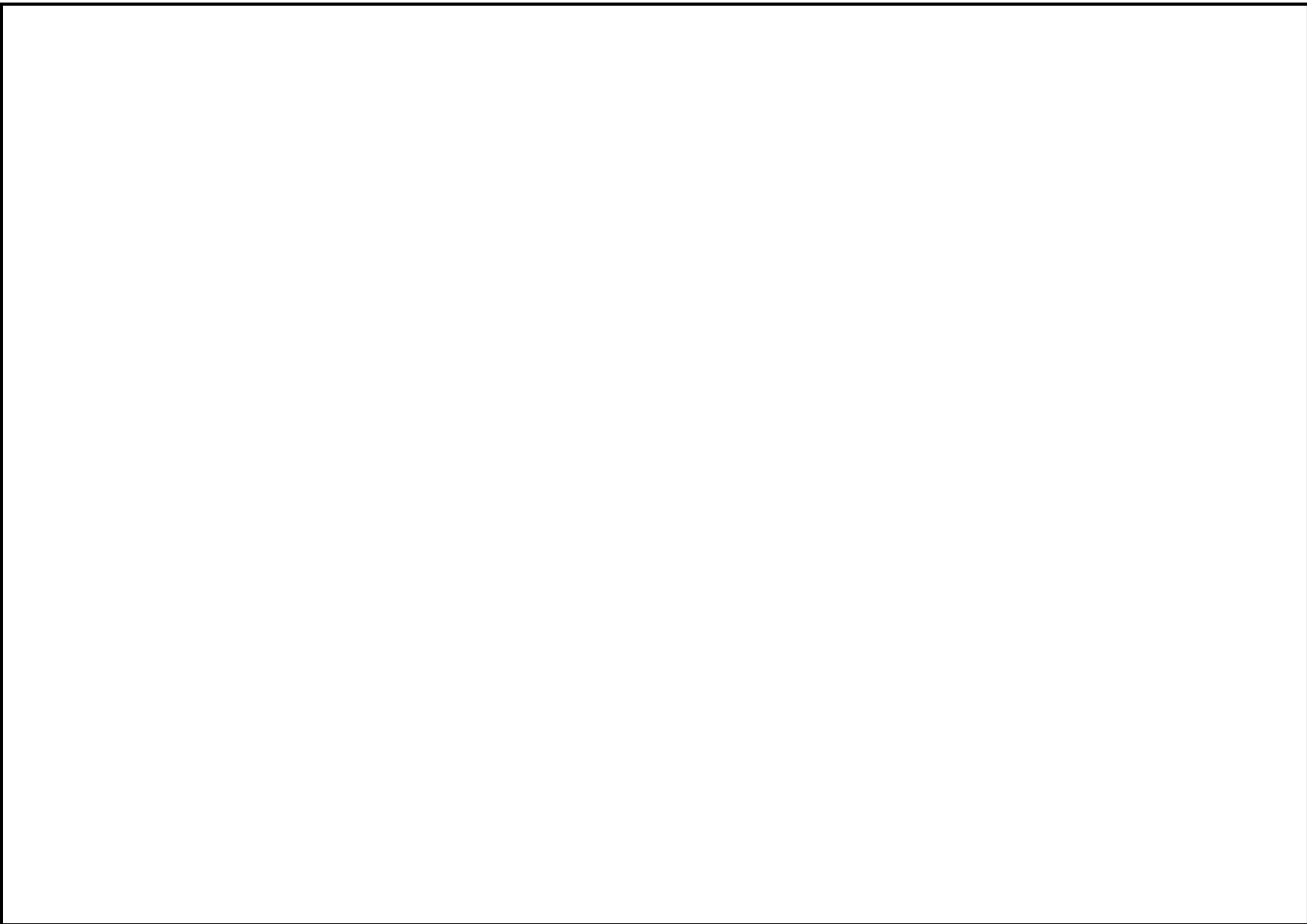


I think that if you are going to rely mainly on European participants for the Symposium on Image Evaluation, you are right in including a broad range of topics. I feel that you need to ask participants to prepare formal papers in advance so that you can be assured of active participation. What I would suggest is that you invite people to prepare papers in advance and have these papers circulated among all known attendees at the Symposium. At the actual Symposium individuals could discuss aspects of their papers.

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Please keep me informed on how things progress and I certainly will try to be of whatever assistance I can to you. I am sure by the time of the Symposium I will be back in the United States. I am hoping to return in mid-August. Very best wishes for the New Year.



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I have learned of an exchange program sponsored by NATO, and have applied for support for a visit to research facilities [redacted] and elsewhere. The attached letters will give you the details.

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The Advisory Group requires a complete itinerary showing the institutions to be visited. I know of work on Visual Detection of Targets, and Television Research being conducted at the [redacted]

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[redacted] suggested I contact you for verification of these institutions as well as any others you know of doing work in visual target detection and television research.

I would be grateful if you could send me the names of any centers working in this area, as well as personnel whom I might contact to arrange a visit.

Yours truly,

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Thank you for your letter dated 8th January, 1969, which outlines the provisional plans for a symposium on Image Evaluation to be held during August 1969 in Germany.

Whilst we were interested to hear about this Symposium, the research that is being carried out in this Department is essentially concerned with factors affecting the televisual acquisition of ground targets during high-speed, low-level flight and the subject of image evaluation, although of some relevance, is not our main area of research. As the research program here is carried out under contract to the [redacted] who sponsor for a wide range of defence research, we felt that they might be in a better position to contact people who could make more detailed suggestions about the format of the symposium and possible speakers from this country. Accordingly we have forwarded a copy of your letter to the Ministry of Technology so that they can put you in touch with the appropriate people.

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If you feel that the research into televisual target acquisition that has been done here would be an appropriate subject for the symposium we would be happy to present a paper. A series of experiments has been carried out involving the use of oblique aerial photographs to determine the effects of viewing distance, visual noise, search time, field of view, etc. on the detection of ground targets. We are now starting to use film imagery and are primarily interested in the effects of briefing.

Yours sincerely,

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